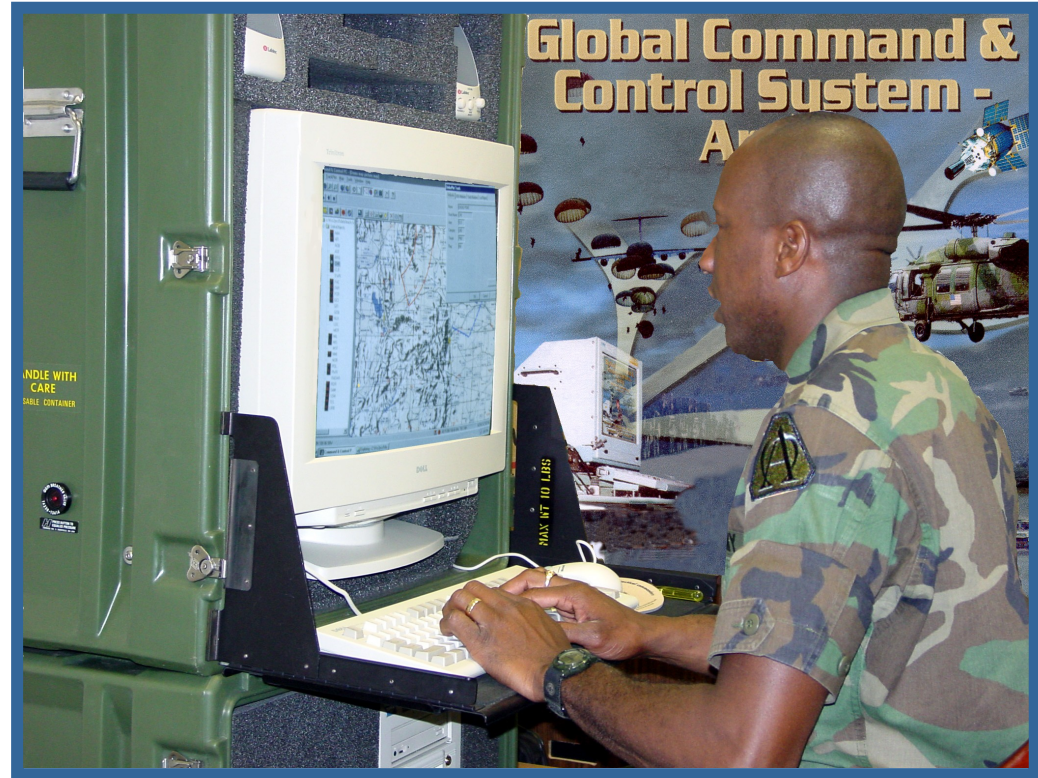# GCCS-A ACCREDITATION STATUS

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INFORMATION ASSURANCE REQUIREMENT

- **Generic accreditation or IATO is required for each release**

    - **PEO is the Designated Approving Authority (DAA)**

    - **CECOM SEC conducts security testing and performs risk assessment in support of each accreditation**

- **Strategic and theater baselines have different procedures for accreditation**

ACCREDITATION OF THEATER SYSTEM

- **Theater delivery systems built from segments, not built on accredited GCCS platform**

- **PEO C3T accredits theater system based on results of Security Test & Evaluation (ST&E)**

- **Procedure follows DODI 5200.40, "DOD Information Technology Security Certification and Accreditation Process (DITSCAP)"**

STATUS OF THEATER SYSTEMS

- **Delivery 1**
  - **Obsolete**

- **Delivery 2**
  - **Fielded in Korea, upgrade delayed by lack of funding**
  - **Local accreditation until replaced**

- **Delivery 3.2.1**
  - **Generic accreditation valid through 30 SEP 03**
  - **Fielded to USARPAC and USARSO**
  - **Local accreditation needed after Sep 03 if theater waits for Block IV rather than receiving Delivery 3.2.5.1**

- **Delivery 3.2.4**
  - Obsolete

- **Delivery 3.2.5.0**
  - Used for DCX 2, and to replace Delivery 3.2.4 in USAREUR
  - IATO valid until 5 OCT 02

- **Delivery 3.2.5.1**
  - IATO valid until 11 OCT 02
  - Generic accreditation planned for October
    - Final accreditation package just received
  - Being fielded world-wide, intended to be single theater system

ACCREDITATION OF STRATEGIC SYSTEMS

- CP1 consists of Army-unique applications installed on a GCCS workstation

- Previously used GCCS accreditation for CP1

- Policy change requires new accreditation procedure

- Modifying accreditation procedure to have PEO certify that CP1 does not affect accreditation of GCCS platform

- First certification will be for CP1.21
  - Certification planned to be completed end JAN 03

NEED FOR ACCREDITATION

- **Signed IATO or accreditation required before:**
    - **Connection to the SIPRNET**
    - **Start of IOTE or major exercise**
    - **Unit can accept fielded system and become operational**

- **Unapproved system may be used in closed environment for training or unit testing**

FIELDING RESPONSIBILITIES

- **PM provides**
  - **Generic accreditation or IATO**
  - **SSAA**
  - **Version Description Document**
  - **Trusted Facility Manual**
  - **Computer System Operator's Manual**

- **Unit provides**
  - **Local accreditation**
  - **SIPRNET connectivity**
    - › **DISA-SIPRNET requirement, no PM involvement**
  - **Local SOP's**
  - **Continuity of Operations Plan**

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- **Completing the accreditation for Delivery 3.2.5.1 (OCT 02)**

- **Developing the CP1 certification procedures and certifying CP1.21 (JAN 03)**

CHALLENGES

- **Length of time required to complete accreditation process**

    - **Process can take up to 4 months from start of ST&E to signed accreditation**

    - **"Do-loop" caused by IAVA's during the accreditation process**

        › **Interim GCCS-A policy on handling IAVA's, due to lack of formal procedures**

- **GCCS-A Block IV will be built on a "common GCCS platform"; we need to modify the accreditation procedures for the Delivery systems to accommodate this**